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To: Info-Hams@ucsd.edu

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Today's Topics:

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            Modifications wanted for the ICOM 24AT  
    Really portable (15m-)antenna for QRP field usage.  
            Thanks - from a beginner.  
            TS-440 10Hz mod + Computer Interface  
            Wanted Sony 2010 or Grundig 500

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We trust that readers are intelligent enough to realize that all text  
herein consists of personal comments and does not represent the official  
policies or positions of any party. Your mileage may vary. So there.

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Date: Wed, 27 Feb 91 16:05:09 EST  
From: Warren\_Tuiskula%es.uucp@lectroid.sw.stratus.com  
Subject: DAK SW receiver  
To: lectroid!Info-Hams@UCSD.EDU

Can anyone offer any information about the DAK \$49.90 digital shortwave receiver?

Thanks,  
Warren KA1JL

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Date: 27 Feb 91 14:52:29 GMT  
From: eru!hagbard!sunic!news.funet.fi!hydra!cc.helsinki.fi!stickler@bloom-beacon.mit.edu  
Subject: HELP! Need advice on 10m DX: US<->Europe  
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

Here's a good one for you DX enthusiasts...

I'm trying to get my brother to get the new code free "Communicator's" license so that I and my family can keep in touch more inexpensively (the international long distance telephone rates are killing me).

I'm in Finland and he's in Florida. Because the only realistic DX band he'll have available to him will be 10 meters, I need to figure out what kind of station configuration will work on 10 meters between Finland and Florida.

I'm a newcomer myself to amateur radio, so I could really use some expert advice from some of you DX folks.

What is the minimum functional station configuration for DX phone communications between Finland and Florida on 10 meters??

How much power will we need? What is the 'best' antenna configuration? What are the best times of the day/year for 10 meters US<->Europe?

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Date: 27 Feb 91 14:14:31 GMT  
From: usc!samsung!emory!hubcap!bjb@apple.com (BJ Backitis)

Subject: HELP! Need advice on 10m DX: US<->Europe  
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

stickler@cc.helsinki.fi writes:

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>DX band he'll have available to him will be 10 meters, I need  
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>10 meters between Finland and Florida.

Well, I'm afraid the "communicator" (actually Technician) license won't do you any good... it doesn't have the OLD Technician HF bands, but only frequencies above 30MHz (10m is close, but still no cigar). He would need to learn the 5WPM (easy) to get the 28.3-28.5MHz SSB Novice band.

Florida is up to it's ears in hams... I'm sure he'll have no trouble getting someone to help him with this.

Good luck!

--BJ--  
(The Mad Lithuanian)

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Date: 27 Feb 91 14:45:34 EDT  
From: Larry Jack <LJACK@UMAB.UMD.EDU>  
Subject: Info-Hams Digest V91 #190  
To: <Info-Hams@UCSD.Edu>

From: ed like an "I"

Is someone using my call letters? asks Scott, KA3HZY

I agree with the others that wrote, that your call sign was most likely mis identified; something not too uncommon if it was a DX contact from the US to a nonnative English speaking ham. The "Y" might well have sounded like an

"I" to the Dutch station. I seriously doubt anyone was bootlegging your  
callsign.

This all brought back a flash of memories of the time I thought I caught some  
one red-handly using my call. It occurred in the Washington DC area, and on  
6 meter CW, of all places. I heard a station working a fellow in the Midwest  
return to a "/3" station (for you new hams that is how we used to have to  
identify we were outside our original licensing districts) with what I could  
only initially pick out as MY callsign! I listened to the reply from the "/3"  
station, a strong local, who gave back

"...d..e.....K...L...7...G...L...."

By now I was seeing red, a local in the Washington DC area on six meter  
using a my callsign, I was so sure I caught a bootlegger...  
then he sent

...L..." (De KL7GLL)

I turned out we had gotten our licenses half a world away, almost on the same  
day and never met until then 20 years later on 6 CW in Washington DC.  
Anyone is free to search for the moral here.

Larry Jack KL7GLK / V77LJ

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Date: Wed, 27 Feb 1991 12:04:49 PST  
From: Mike\_Beezley.Houston@xerox.com  
Subject: Is Someone Using My Call Letters?  
To: Info-Hams@ucsd.edu

SCOTT

Here's the answer to your mystery:

KA3HZI (A)  
PEGGY J HARVELL  
8006 PRINCE GEORGES DR  
FORT WASHINGTON, MD 20744  
DOB: 12 SEP 1944 EXPIRES: 25 OCT 1998

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In case you didn't know there is a Callbook sever out here and you can check  
for this info. I just did a search on callsigns similar to yours and voila!  
(Server address: Callbook@Sat.Datapoint.COM)

73  
\_\_mike

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Date: 27 Feb 91 17:27:11 GMT  
From: sdd.hp.com!cs.utexas.edu!evax!utacfd!merch!cpe!stevedak@ucsd.edu  
Subject: Is Someone Using My Call Letters?  
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

>Hello,

> I'm a ham who hasn't been active for the past several years, tho I have  
>kept my license in order. I recently was surprised to receive a QSL card from  
>a gentleman in the Netherlands confirming "our" contact in early January. In a  
>letter, he said that it was with "peggy" from Maryland, but the call letters  
>were mine (KA3HZY), and my name is Scott in Pennsylvania. Is there anyway I  
>can find out if someone is actually using my letters illegally?  
>Thanks in advance!

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> Scott Shay  
> KA3HZY  
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This is very common among foreign amateurs. Since english is not usually  
their first language, mixups are frequent. This seems to be especially  
true during contests. I have received numerous cards from overseas this  
way. American hams are not immune either. I also have one card from here  
in the states under the same circumstances. This is more likely what has  
happened in your case. Pirates who use call signs at all tend to come up  
with ones that haven't been assigned yet (don't ask me how I know that :>)

Steve Dakin  
WQ5N (really my call... honest)

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Date: 27 Feb 91 10:16:47 GMT  
From: usc!sdd.hp.com!horizon!schriber@ucsd.edu (Mike Schriber)  
Subject: Looking for mod info on Radio Shack PRO-2022 scanner  
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

I was wondering if anyone has info on modifying the Radio Shack PRO-2022  
base station scanner. It comes stock with 200 channels and goes to about  
900MHz.

Any mod info would be helpfull.

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Date: 27 Feb 91 20:32:52 GMT  
From: csws12.ic.sunysb.edu!rbabani@sbcs.sunysb.edu (Rajesh Babani)  
Subject: Modifications wanted for the ICOM 24AT  
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

Could someone please send me the modifications  
for the Icom 24AT. I will surmise to the net  
if I get more than a few responses.

My email address is rbabani@libserv1.ic.sunysb.edu

Thanks in advance!

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|      Internet: rbabani@libserv1.ic.sunysb.edu | Bitnet: rbabani@sbccvm |
|      Ametur-Radio: KB2MDA temp. KT           +-----+
|If you can't remember anything else, remember one thing... |
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Date: 27 Feb 91 18:09:15 GMT  
From: hpfcso!hpfcbig!bame@hplabs.hpl.hp.com (Paul Bame)  
Subject: Really portable (15m-)antenna for QRP field usage.  
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

Both the ARRL handbook and the antenna book have plans for a "portable antenna" made of TV twin-lead which is just a folded dipole. I've made a couple for 10m and they work well and match well to 50ohms. The 10m version probably weighs less than 2lbs(1kg) - maybe less than 1(.5kg) including the built-in twinlead feedline (mine is about 10'), part of which serves as the matching network.

-Paul Bame  
bame@fc.sde.hp.com N0KCL

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Date: 27 Feb 91 19:35:26 GMT  
From: sdd.hp.com!spool.mu.edu!biomath.mscs.mu.edu@ucsd.edu (Peter J. Tonellato)  
Subject: Thanks - from a beginner.  
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

Approximately one week ago I posted a request for general information about sw-radio listening. Seven responded to my request all offering good insight into both 'trees' and 'forest'.

I just want to say that it is very nice of you who have gone out of their way to make things easier for a beginner. I am very happy with my new 'toy'. Last week I was able to listen to radio broadcasts from China, Germany, Australia, Canada, Turkey, Greece, Sweden, England and the USA. I understand that this 'Gee Whiz' attitude is frowned upon by some. But I suspect that it was exactly this feeling

that drew the veterans (at least some of them) into the sw and/or ham field in the first place.

In addition to my 'gee whiz' feeling. I greatly enjoy listening to all the government positions on international events (e.g. the Gulf War.) I try to be open minded about (in this case) U.S. policies but it is useful to hear what everyone else thinks.

Thanks again, hope I can help others in the future.

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Peter J. Tonellato

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Date: 25 Feb 91 18:13:47 GMT

From: pacific.mps.ohio-state.edu!zaphod.mps.ohio-state.edu!rpi!uupsi!cci632!  
ritcsh!ultb!cep4478@tut.cis.ohio-state.edu (C.E. Piggott)

Subject: TS-440 10Hz mod + Computer Interface

To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

Greetings.

I have been told by KC3UY and one other person that the widely-published instruction set for the TS-440S contains an error: it says that you can flick the 10Hz display on by snipping diode D-60. I have learned that the diode is actually D-66, snipping D-60 will only frustrate the operator as he will have to re-solder it back and cut another one.

Can someone verify this information and notify the simtel20 gatekeeper of the appropriate change?

Also, thanks to everyone who responded about the ts-440s command set. I sent replies to everyone (including "metoo's"), but much got bounced, so I didn't ignore you if you didn't get a msg - try again.

Chris/WZ2B

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Date: 27 Feb 91 18:51:27 GMT  
From: sun-barr!newstop!exodus!itlwrk.Eng.Sun.COM!tbasche@lll-winken.llnl.gov  
(Todd Basche)  
Subject: Wanted Sony 2010 or Grundig 500  
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

I am looking to buy a SONY 2010 or a Grundig 500 SW receiver.  
If anyone has one of these they would like to sell please  
contact me. I am looking for a portable SW receiver for general  
SW listening.  
Thanks,  
Todd Basche (tbasche@sun.com)

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End of Info-Hams Digest  
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